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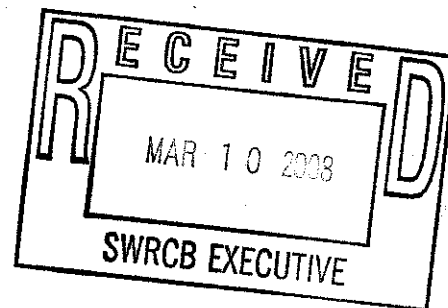
EVMWD will provide reliable, cost-effective, high quality water and wastewater services that are dedicated to the people we serve.

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March 10, 2008

3/18/08 Bd. Mtg. Item 13  
Recycle Water Policy  
Deadline: 3/10/08 by 12 p.m.

Tam Doduc  
Chair, and Members  
State Water Resources Control Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814



**SUBJECT: RECYCLED WATER POLICY—March 18, 2008 Board Meeting**

Dear Chair Doduc and Members of the Board:

Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (EVMWD) requests that the State Water Resources Control Board not adopt the draft Recycled Water Policy for California. While we had hoped that the revised Policy would help achieve the state's goal of removing barriers to use of recycled water, we regrettably find ourselves faced with a draft Policy that, as written, does not accomplish this goal. For this reason, we urge the Board not to adopt the proposed Policy.

While we appreciate some of the revisions to the prior draft, such as removal of the requirement to provide financial assurances and the adjustment of the provisions relating to maximum total dissolved solids (TDS), a number of the Policy provisions do not advance the goal of increasing the use of recycled water in California.

The comment letters from California Section of the WaterReuse Association, Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA), California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA), and other recycling industry agencies describe several areas of the Policy that are of concern.

As currently drafted, the Policy places a heavy burden and attendant costs on recycling agencies at a time when both water resources and funding are being stretched to the limits. While we all agree that our precious local water supplies must be protected for the future, the Policy needs more refinement to more methodically and cost effectively step into new efforts to provide that protection.

Therefore, we again urge the Board not to adopt the proposed Policy and provide additional time for all parties to refine the Policy properly.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Norris Brandt'.

Norris Brandt, PE  
Assistant General Manager